England—a prayer for the Empire: "Almighty God, who . . . hast given to our sovereign Lord, King George, a great dominion over all the face of the earth. . . ." It is true that the prayer continues in a more chastened vein and ends with admirable sentiments, but *is imperial power God's gift?*

Our attitude to India could become the turning-point in world history.

Mr. Bose said in his Presidential Address at the Haripura Congress: "We who are fighting for the political freedom of India are fighting for the economic emancipation of the British people as well." Elsewhere he gives an interesting analysis of the present position of the Empire: It "at the present moment is suffering from strain at a number of points. Within the Empire in the extreme west is Ireland and in the extreme east, India. In the middle lies Palestine with the adjoining countries of Egypt and Iraq. Outside the Empire there is the pressure exerted by Italy in the Mediterranean and Japan in the Far East, both these countries being militant, aggressive and imperialist. Against this background of unrest, stands Soviet Russia, whose very existence strikes terror into the hearts of the ruling classes in every imperialist state. How long can the British Empire withstand the cumulative effect of this pressure and strain?

To-day Britain can hardly call herself 'Mistress of the Sea.* . . . Her phenomenal rise in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries was the result of her sea-power. Her decline as an Empire in the twentieth will be the outcome of the emergence of a new factor in world history—air force. . . .

London lies at the mercy of any btfmbing squadron from a Continental centre. . . . The clay feet of a gigantic empire now stand exposed as never before.[55] He says at the end:

"We are fighting not for the cause of India alone, but of humanity as well. India freed means humanity saved.
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